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Media Advisory (not for release):

1087th Transportation Company returns from Operation Iraqi Freedom

Fort Polk, La.---, Fort Polk will welcome home approximately 100 members of the 1087th Transportation Company (TC) this Friday, March 26, 2004. The reunion event will occur between 4:00 and 5:00 p.m. at the Cantrel Gym, here.

The soldiers of the 1087th left their families in February 2003 to deploy to in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The 1087th falls under the 61st Troop Command, a Louisiana Army National Guard Transportation Company, and is comprised of personnel from Vidalia and Jena, LA.

While the primary mission of the 1087th is to perform missions as a transportation company, they proved to be a vital asset in the guarding and security of convoys in support of the Army's mission in Iraq.

During their deployment the 1087th ensured the safety of over 500 convoys throughout Kuwait and Iraqi, truly living up to their company motto: "Road Warriors - Yield to None".

Details on a welcome home ceremony will be released next week.

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Media wishing to cover the ceremony should contact Maj. Ron Elliott at (337) 531-1418 or Samantha Bingham at (337) 531-4630.

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